Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting Online Meeting through Zoom 19:30 Wednesday 03 March 2021

Minutes of Meeting

Distributed by email to:

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Revision History		
Revision	Date	Details
0	05-Mar-21	First Draft

Posted on Website:

http://www.wimborne-orienteers.co.uk/d7/node/122

Present:

Andrew French (Chair) (AF)
Philip Harvey (Secretary) (PH)
Chris Branford (CB)
Kath Pike (KaP)
Dick Keighley (RK)
Kevin Pickering (KeP)
Rob Mills (RM)
John Warren (JW)
Eamon Staunton (ES)

Apologies for Absence:

John Oakes (JO) Karen French (Treasurer) (KF)

The meeting was begun by **AF** at 19:35.

1. Minutes of previous meeting on 30 September 2020

There were no comments regarding Revision 0, which can be regarded as Virtually signed. Actions arising therefrom: None.

2. Treasurer's Report

- 2.1. There is little to report, due to no activity during government-imposed COVID-19 restrictions.
- 2.2. The event on Sun 13 December at Inside Park resulted in a profit of approximately £200. A payment of £200 for the venue was made to Mr. Jerry Cooper. It is believed this will be donated to the charity of his choice.

3. Recent Events & Meetings

3.1. Autumn / Winter MapRun League

Well done **RM** for organising. The league has been much appreciated while regular orienteering is not possible. Unfortunately, activities had to be stopped when movement restrictions were imposed in late December 2020.

The Moors Valley MapRun event was not completed: this will begin the new MapRun season when restrictions are eased, expected in April. The next event will be Poole. 7 further areas are ready to follow, which will see the league through into June.

All courses will need to be registered with British Orienteering as Permanent Orienteering Courses (POCs).

The UK database of MapRuns can be viewed and interrogated through a searchable map of the UK. It lives here: http://maprun.uk/

3.2. Tue 13 October 2020 SWOA AGM

All officials who did not step down were re-elected. **KeP** has been representing WIM at the SWOA Zoom meetings, and **RK** is on the SWOA committee.

3.3. Wed 14 October 2020 WIM AGM

This was a Virtual Meeting hosted through Zoom. The committee was re-elected and the club fees remain at £5 for senior and £1 for junior members.

3.4. Sun 13 December 2020, Inside Park

Despite the rain, the event went very well. The facilities provided by the venue were excellent. Good courses; well planned.

3.5. Tue 23 February 2021 SWOA Committee Meeting

SWOL events are on the SWOA website.

Relay events are scheduled from June.

SWOA Chair Christine Vince must stand down in October – a new Chair is needed.

Every Tuesday and Thursday there is a new TempO challenge – all are invited to participate.

4. Forthcoming Events and Meetings

See Fixture List distributed by CB, and also:

4.1. <u>Spring / Summer MapRun League</u> Will commence when government restrictions allow.

4.2. Sat 18 – Sun 19 September 2021, Caddihoe Weekend

We need to renew the applications to the Forestry Commission. **CB** intends to do this in May, by which time we should know if further postponement will be necessary.

KeP intends to re-visit the budget and re-confirm the appointment of event officials.

A Caddihoe committee meeting is expected to go ahead within the next 6 weeks.

Competitor limit of 500: SWOA clubs will be prioritised by informing them first when the entries go live on Fabian4.

4.3. Sun 17 October 2021 CSS/CST Final, Sutton Park, W. Midlands

WIM has already qualified. We shall consider nearer the time how we might organise transport or use other methods to encourage members to attend.

4.4. July 2021, Yvette Baker Trophy, Bristol

5. **A.O.B.**

- 5.1. **RM:** <u>Clayesmore School</u>: one of the Masters is keen to re-start orienteering at the school. We shall support them.
- **5.2. KeP:** <u>Scottish 6-Days</u> has been entered by 25 WIM members. It is encouraging to see that so many members are keen to get back into the sport.
- **5.3. RK:** Sturminster Newton has a new urban POC. Opening on 01 April 2021
- 5.4. RK: Following a review, and after consultation with its solicitors, British Orienteering is looking to update and modernise its Articles of Association and has been consulting with Regional Associations & Clubs before putting proposals to the upcoming AGM on 21st April. These changes are largely technical and will not the relationships between Associations, Clubs and the membership. Having checked with BO over the wording of the document, SWOA committee thought that the proposals looked entirely sensible.
- 5.5. **JW:** Moors Valley Country Park and Forestry Commission are being very positive towards orienteering activities, and are likely to grant event permissions. Some POC posts are in poor condition. MV staff are keen to replenish, renew and update the POC, and remove the future sand/gravel extraction area. Updates and replacements will also be made on the MTBO POC in Moors Valley and stretching over to Ringwood North.
- 5.6. **JW**: Avon Heath management are keen to promote orienteering.

6. Next Meeting

Provisionally: Wed 21 April 2021 (after Caddihoe committee meeting).